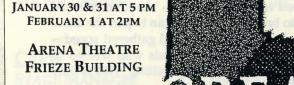
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# **Team Tuna presents:**

JOHN "NIPPER" KNAPP MATTHEW LETSCHER

IN



# GREATER TUNA

DIRECTED BY
BRAD BURKE

by Williams, Sears, and Howard

a basement arts production

#### FROM THE DIRECTOR

I realize you are probably standing in the hall waiting to come in, so I thought I would give you a little something to read.

A little while ago I witnessed a special bond between two dear friends. It also happened that they were two very good actors. As a person who wants to dabble in directing, I thought: What a wonderful opportunity for a great two-character show. Just find the show. This is how my directing GREATER TUNA was born.

Matt and Nipper are two very promising actors, much more so than my potential as a director, and I was thrilled that they believed in me to guide them through this most complicated play. From the start our working together was effortless, and we seemed to become a team. As time went on and more was required to be done, others began to join the team. The excitement generated was contagious and gathered speed—which began to attract many more individuals who wished to be involved in our now-obvious working pleasure. This is how Team Tuna was formed.

Team Tuna has given more to the production values of this show than I could have ever anticipated. overwhelmed by the relentless pursuit of all toward the very admirable task of mounting this show. We have been in a constant state of motion toward our production goals, and at this time I can safely say we have reached all that was dreamed of at the start of the project. I am amazed and incredibly thankful to all. I have been touched by just how much people have given. The most blatant example was the reaction of the Team when I required a technical rehearsal for costumes on a Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m. After the shock wore off no one balked, and everyone committed to whatever was necessary. And most were here ten minutes early. This has been the attitude from the beginning, everyone gave 200%. More than anything, I realize that the foundation of this production and the starting point from which we built revolved completely around the love of two friends.

Very quickly, I would like to especially thank Caroline Seltzer and Nancy Pipkin who co-designed the costumes. The five of us have been working on this since before Christmas, and without them the polish of this production would not exist — it would be mayhem and a nightmare. And most of all, thank you Matt and Nipper. Brad.

JOHN "NIPPER" KNAPP MATTHEW LETSCHER Thurston Wheelis Arles Struvie

### **DIRECTOR/DESIGNERS**

DIRECTOR BRAD BURKE

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS.

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#### **TEAM TUNA**

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